

COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) 25X1  
 TOPIC Herruppin Airfield 25X1

EVALUATION see below 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 18 October to 8 November 1951

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REFERENCES 25X1

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REMARKS

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1. Between 18 and 23 October 1951, 1 MiG-15, 1 single-engine low-wing monoplane with radial engine, and 3 to 5 biplanes were parked at Herruppin airfield. There was no flying. At 2 p.m. on 24 October, four MiG-15s with small auxiliary fuel tanks flew over the field and landed between 2:07 and 2:10 p.m. Four other MiG-15s fitted with small auxiliary fuel tanks were observed landing between 2:18 and 2:23 p.m. A twin-engine transport, probably an LI-2, landed at the field at 2:35 p.m. The plane was refueled and took off at 4:45 p.m. and headed southeast. Individual MiG-15s circled the field. On 28 October, only five of the recently arrived eight MiG-15s were ready for take off while the wings and rudder assemblies of the other three planes were disassembled and their fuselages propped up. Otherwise, the occupation was unchanged.

2. Up to 24 October, the windows and doors of the wooden shed at the cemetery on Wittstocker Allee had bars and the bulbs of the spotlights outside the shed were removed. After 24 October, the shed was occupied again. Germans were painting the brick buildings. About 5 p.m. on 26 October, the occupants of two trucks which moved along the runway installed white runway lights at intervals of about 25 meters. [redacted] went to the east end of the runway. Five red lamps were unloaded from the truck near No 5 Wittstocker Allee. After the lamps were installed they were switched on for a test. The radio installation north of Nietwerder was still there.

3. Between 27 October and 8 November, 10 MiG-15s covered with tarpaulins 1 single-engine low-wing monoplane with a radial engine, and 3 biplanes were observed at the field. There was no flying or maintenance work on aircraft.

[redacted] went to the field. During the October Revolution festival, [redacted] 10 officers, 2 sergeants, and 120 EF, wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, were assembled at the field.

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4. On 5 November, 10 MiG-15s covered with tarpaulins, 2 single-engine low-wing monoplanes, and biplanes were observed at the field. \*\*

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\* ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment. The wooden shed was previously reported. See its purpose has not been clarified. It is believed possible that it is used as a radio cabin.

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\*\* ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment. The fighter regiment stationed at the field was transferred by rail to the U.S.S.R. between 12 and about 20 October 1951, together with the two other regiments of the fighter division.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ . According to previous information, it appears that only some PO-2s and MiG-15s, which were not serviceable, remained at the field. The assignment of the MiG-15s which arrived at the field on 24 October 1951 has not been determined. According to concurrent statements ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ these MiG-15s were still parked at the field in early November. The troops which were observed at the field during the festivities of the October Revolution were obviously ground units which remained at the field. Since the radio installations were not removed, it is expected that the field will soon be reoccupied.

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